Message from the Sri Mulam Assembly.

The Secretary to the Sri Chitra State Council then read the following message from the Secretary to the Sri Mulam Assembly :—

"Under Rule 47 of the Travancore Legislative Rules, I am directed to inform you that the amendments made by the Sri Chitra State Council to the Travancore Hindu Law of Inheritance (Amendment) Bill and communicated in your message, dated the 28th November 1935, (Vide R. O. C. No. 386/35/S. C., dated the 28th November 1935) have been agreed to by the Sri Mulam Assembly at its meeting held on the 20th of April 1936."

Resolutions on matters of general public interest.

President: The resolution standing in the name of Mr. Varghese was partly discussed at the last meeting and I find from the proceedings of the Council that he had already occupied 7 minutes. He is, therefore, entitled to 13 minutes more to finish his speech.

Enquiry into appointments made by the Heads of Departments since the Pubic Service Recruitment G. O.

Mr. E. P. Varghese: I was placing before this House the necessity for making an enquiry into the conduct of appointing authorities in making appointments, especially after the proceedings on recruitment to the Public Service have been published, and for punishing those who have violated the principles laid down therein. In that connection I must say that I am only asking the Government to see that their orders and circulars are obeyed and that the policy enunciated often before this House, and, through this House, to the public, is worked out by their officers.

Sir, it has been admitted by Government that the question of public service has been a matter of persistent agitation for several years in this country. I must say that these officers are primarily responsible for this agitation. If they had only carried out the policy liad down by Government and obeyed the circulars often issued on this question, I daresay Government would not have been confronted with such a persistent agitation on this topic.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Does the member mean to say thereby that there is no agitation in respect of appointments made by Government?

Mr. E. P. Varghese: I include all such appointments. Sir, it has been a sad state of affairs to see that the circulars and policies enunciated by Government on such an important question have been very often ignored by many of the appointing authorities.

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